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FINES UNDER STEAMBOAT ACTS .- The Sec-

retary of the Treasury has notified collectors of

customs and others that the proceeds of all fines,

penalties, and forfeitures accruing to the gov-

ernment in consequence of violations of the acts

of Congress now in force, relating to steam ves-

sels, will hereafter be paid over to the proper officer of the customs, and by him deposited to

the credit of the United States, and treated as a receipt on account of fines under the steam-

THE TREASURY INVESTIGATION has pro-

e manner in which the Marden and Johnson

defalcations occurred. Treasurer Spinner and

Assistant Treasurer Tuttle were present, and testified under oath in regard to the defalcations

referred to. The committee will meet again

THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTES th's

merning commenced the investigation as to th

claims for lands and bonds arising out of the

grants to the Hannibal and St. Joseph and the

Atchinson and Pike's Peak, or the central

resolution of Mr. Moore. Hon. E. C. Ingersoll

appeared in behalf of the St. Joseph and Denver

Railroad. Ex-Attorney General Hoar appeared for the central branch of the Union Pacific, and

gersoll made his argument, and the other gentle

men will be heard to-morrow. The hearing of Mr. Hastings on his petition for the impeach-

ment of Judges Field and Hoffman was post-poned until half past ten o'clock on Monday.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIA-

TIONS this morning considered the application

for an appropriation of \$50,000 for the entertain-

ment of the Japanese Embassy which lately ar-

rived at San Francisco. General Banks argued before the committee in favor of the appropria-

tion, and it was finally decided that the Secre-

tary of State, Gen'l Banks, chairman of the Com-

mittee on Foreign Affairs, and Gen'l Garfield, chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, should have a conference upon the subject and

report to the committee the result of their de-

The Indian appropriation bill, which appro-

riates about five and a half millions of dollars,

Gov. Swann, who has charge of the consular and diplomatic bill, will be able to report it about the latter part of next week. The com-

mittee will take up the naval appropriation bill

DISTRICT DAY IN THE HOUSE .-- To-day being

the third Friday in the month the District of Co-

lumbia Committee was called in the House at 2

o'clock this afternoon, and Mr. Starkweather,

chairman of the committee, reported the fund-ing bill, the provisions which are given at length

elsewhere. Gen. Chipman clearly explained the provisions and objects of the bill. An amend-

ment was adopted providing that creditors of the late corporations should be allowed to com-

mute the debt held by them at par for an equa

amount of the bonds authorized by the act, and

Mr. Starkweather reported a joint resolution

appointing Gen. Humphries, Gen. Babcock.

Gov. Cooke, A. R. Shepherd, and C. B. Patterson

a board of survey to examine and report upor

a plan for the improvement of the water from

from the Eastern branch to Georgetown; and

also to report upon a plan for the improvement

of the swamp and marsh lands along the river

front. The cost of said examination not to ex-

ceed \$1,000, and to be paid by the District of Co-

THE NEW SENATOR FROM MARYLAND .- The

democratic members of the General Assembly

of Maryland held a caucus last evening at An-

napolis to select a candidate for United States Senator to succeed Hon. George Vickers, whose term expires in March, 1873. Dr. Geo. R. Den-

nis, who at present represents Somerset county

in the state senate, received the majority vote of the caucus—58 votes out of 88 cast on the sec-

ond ballot, Mr. Vickers receiving 12. Dr.

Dennis was to-day elected by the joint con-

vention of the two houses of the legislature. He was born in Worcester county in 1822.

graduated at the University of Virginia, and

practiced medicine for several years in Som-

erset county. He served in the state senate

in 1856, and again in the house of delegater

in 1867, and at the last election was again

returned to the senate from Somerset coun-

ty. He was originally a member of the whig party, but has been fully identified with

the democracy since just before the opening of

the war. Dr. Dennis has for several years been

a director in the Baltimore and Obio railroad

company, and in several roads on the eastern

THE NEW RUSSIAN MINISTER TO THIS COUN

TRY .- Baron Henry Nicholas d'Offenberg is

about forty-five years of age, and is regarded as

to contribute for political purposes; such cor

every state convention for ten years. There were

six officers of the custom-house at the conven

tion of 1871. In his opinion no custom-house patronage was used to control the state conven-

tion of 1871. Mr. Greeley's statement that one

hundred custom-house officers were traveling about, was not true. At the night session, L. G. Tilletson, an importer of telegraph wire,

testified that, through fear of general-order charges, he has paid sums to inspectors to detain goods on the pier. Mr. J. C. Bloomfield, who has stores in Dey street, told him that he

not been known for years. By the close of this week 5,000 men, boys and horses will be at work at all points, and aided by steam elevators will hurry the harvest to a close. All doubts, therefore, as to any scarcity of ice may be at once dispelled, and consumers can look forward to the heated term, with an assurance that the number of cooling blocks will be equal to the demand.

BISHOP McGILL's SUCCESSOR .- Archbishop

The Maine state temperance convention vesterday unanimously adopted resolutions recommending the enforcement of prohibition.

W Lizzie Brandt and Minnie Allison, two young girls, were arrested in Brooklyn, yester-day, for stealing \$1,000 worth of watches and jewelry from a railroad conductor.

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branch of the Union Pacific Railroad, under the

boat act, not distributable.

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EVENING STAR.

Washington News and Gossip.

Mrs. Grant's receptions will take place every Tuesday afternoon, from 2 to 4 o'clock. Mrs. Colfax will receive on Wednesday during the season, (commencing January 3d,) from 2.30 till 5 p. m.

The wives of the several members of the President's Cabinet will receive on Wednesday afterboon of each week. Speaker Blaine's receptions will be held on

the following Friday evenings, from 9 to 11 o'clock-viz: January 12th and 26th, February Mrs. Blaine's receptions every Wednesday afternoon of the season, beginning January

16th, from 2% to 5 o'clock. INTERNAL REVENUE .- The receipts from this source to-day were \$223 747.99.

JAMES L. RITCHEY has been nominated for collector of the 16th Pennsylvania district.

THE MOTRER OF GOVERNOR COOKE arrived in this city from Sandusky, Ohio, at noon to-day. WE REGRET to announce that Speaker Blaine's child remains very ill, and that but

slight hopes are entertained of its recovery.

Ex-Attorney General Akerman is still behalf of the Kansas Pacific Railroad. Mr. Injuite ill at his residence, No. 1405 F street. He is attended by Dr. Lincoln.

THE CABINET MEETING to-day was attended by all the members. Nothing but routine busi-

THE DELEGATION OF CAPE COD FISHERMAN at present in this city paid their respects to Secretary Boutwell to-day. REAR ADMIRAL ALDEN relieved Rear Admiral

Boggs at Villa Franca, on the 30th of December, of the command of the European fleet, the Wabash having arrived on that day. LIEUT.-COMMANDER A. T. MAHAN, U. S. N., has been detached from special duty connected

with the hydrographic office and placed on waiting orders. THE SALE OF SEATS for the Thomas concerts commenced this morning, and in a very short time the crossed numbers foretold a large at-

HENRY D. COOKE, JR., (son of Gov. Cooke,) who is connected with the London firm of Jay Cooke & Co., arrived in New York yesterday. He is expected to arrive in Washington this evening.

HORACE GREELEY refuses positively to sign the call for the meeting of the national republican convention, on the ground that he wants to be independent in action, and not bound by the

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS YESterday in the contested case of Cessna vs. Meyer, of the Gettysburg, (Pa.) district, decided that Meyer, democrat, who is the sitting member, was entitled to his seat. A DELEGATION OF NORTH CAROLINIANS

called upon Senator Morton last evening to pay

their respects, and thanked him for his course in the Senate in behalf of law and order in the CALLED ON THE PRESIDENT .- Senators Spencer, Chandler and Kellogg, Representatives Bingham, Lamport, Scofield and Davis,

and Commissioner Douglass were among those who called on the President to-day. THE NEW ORLEANS INVESTIGATING COM-MITTEE.-The House committee to investigate the troubles in Louisiana have decided to postpone their visit to New Orleans for the present. The chairman is to call a meeting of the com-mittee next week, but, as the troubles are about settled, it seems to be the impression that no

investigation will be made. CHAS. A MEIGS, recently appointed nationa bank examiner of New York city by the Controller of the Currency, is in the city to ascertain the method of examination required by the Controller. The law gives a salary of five dollars per day and traveling expenses to this offi-cer; but it is expected that the banks will provide an adequate compensation in view of the importance and responsibility of the position.

THE U. S. STEAMER GUERRIERE, detached from the Europeon squadron, is expected at Norfolk about the latter part of this month. The remains of Gen. Robert Anderson, who died in France, are on the Guerriere. It is reported that Captain Thomas H. Sievens, in command of the vessel, will be tried by court martial for neglect of duty by which the vessel struck upon a reef in the Mediterranean some months since.

THE WHISKY TAX .- A large number of distillers, rectifiers and others engaged in the liquor trade have requested Senator Sherman, chairman of the Senate finance committee, to designate a day when they may be heard in favor of the changes which they desire in the revenue laws. They want the tax consolidated. o that i' may all be collected at once, and fixed at not more than seventy-five cents per gallon.

THE INCOME TAX .- Mr. Miron Winslow, Secretary of the Anti-Income Tax Association of New York, made a forcible argument before the Committee of Ways and Means this morning in favor of the repeal of the income tax. The argument was in support of a bill to be presented in behalf of the association he represents. Its most prominent feature is to prevent the collection of the income tax for 1871, as well as to re peal the law. The committee seemed interested in the argument, and asked that it be printed for further reference.

THE SENATE Committee on the District of Columbia met to-day, and agreed to report favorably upon the bill regulating the admission of pupils into the Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb-published in THE STAR a few

days since.
The bill relating to the reform school, also published in THE STAR a few days ago, was re-terred to Messrs. Lewis and Hitchcock. Judge Sargent was before the committee and urged the passage of the bill. Several other bills were referred to various members of the committee for

THE NEW LOAN .- A card from Jay Cooke is published, in which he says: "Some portion of the press of this and other cities having expressed doubts as to the reality of the recent proposition made to the Secretary of the Treasury by myself on behalf of Jay Cooke, McCulloch & Co., and Rothschilds & Sons, of London, I deem it proper to say that such proposition, and under such authority from London, was made in entire good faith, and the parties interested are ready to carry out promptly the negotiations as soon as the Secretary of the Treasury is able to com-ply with its terms and shall conclude to accept

SENATE CONFIRMATIONS .- The Senate in executive session yesterday confirmed a number of nominations, among them the following:

THE ICE CROP.—There are at present 100 miles of block ice on the Hudson ten inches thick, and ice-men state that such a surface has Joseph M. Carey, to be associate justice of the Joseph M. Carey, to be associate justice of the supreme court of Wyoming. Consuls—John Wilson, of Pa., consul at Brussels; Western Flint, of Mo., consul at China Kiang; John Baldwin Hay, of Va., to be consul general at Beirut. Revenue Marine Service—Lieutenant George W. Moore, of Md., to be captain; John Brown, of N. J., E. D. Edmunds, of N. J., O. C. Hamlet, of Mich., and F. J. Simmonds, of Va., to be second lieutenants; C. T. Brian, of Va.; H. B. Rogers, of Mich., and A. E. Bateman to be third lieutenants.

WONAN'S RIGHTS IN THE SUPREME COURT Senator Carpenter vesterday argued the case of Myra Bidwell against the State of Illinois, in the U. S. Supreme Court, involving the ques tion of woman's rights under the fourteenth and fit enth amendments, contending that by virtue of these amendments all citizens, without distinction of color or sex, and, when a woman, without reference to marriage, are entitled to practice any irade, profession or pursuit which they may choose as an avocation. In this case the plaintt." who is a married woman, sought to be admitted to the bar in Illinois, and the applibe admitted to the bar in Illinois, and the application was refused on the ground that as she was a married a oman she would not be liable on contracts with her clients. The case was heard here on review, and Senator Carpenter took occasion to declare his yiews in favor of woman suffage. Mrs. Bidwe! is the editor of the Chicago Legal News.

Society.

Yesterday witnessed another brilliant series of receptions. The whole city seemed to be fairly alive with carriages, and ladies with their escorts, tripping from house to house. It does not take long for people to get acquainted with each other in Washington, for they meet every day, and night, too, for that matter. Nothing so soon disarms prejudice as an acquaintance with persons, and very frequently that prejudice gives way to admiration.

- Yesterday Mrs. Hamlin and Mrs. Peters re gressed far enough to warrant the belief on the ceived together at the Metropolitan Hotel, and part of General Spinner that no further deboth ladies received as many calls as those who ficiency will be discovered. Messrs. Lynch, are in a more fashionable quarter of the city. Barnum, and Hay, of the House Committee on the Expenditares of the Treasury, held a session at the Tr-asury building last evening, for the purpose of fully acquainting themselves with Mrs. and Miss Ramsey, at the National, also had a large reception. - Mrs. and Miss Fenton received in their ele

gant home. Miss Fenton was exquisitely dressed in a blue silk train and pink silk over-dress. which was gracefully draped with bows and long ends of broad pink ribbon. A blue sleeveles jacket was worn over a pink body; delicate roses in her hair.

- The parlors of Mrs. and the Misses Frelinghuysen were crowded all the afternoon, and every one seemed to enjoy themselves. One of the young ladies were a highly becoming dress of pearl-colored silk, with trimmings of pink silk. About the neck was wide Valenciennes lace. There were quite a number of young ladies congregated in the third parlor, and there the beaus flocked. It is a charming house, with every evidence of taste and refinement.

- Mrs. Senator Sherman, assisted by Mrs Monroe and Mrs. Upson, wives of Representatives Monroe and Upson, from Ohio, received. as transl on Fridays, a great many visitors in her hospitable home on K street. Although not so iarge as many, M.s. Sacrman's parlors are among the pleasantest in Washington, and bear on all sides evidences of culture and refinement. There seems to be something in the very atmos phere of the place that puts one at ease, and this eeling is charmingly supplemented by the cordial welceme visitors are alwayssure to receive

- Mrs. Conkling is a very gracious lady, but looks too delicate to undertake the arduous duties of receiving and returning the visits of the large number who pay their respects on each Thursday. She was assisted yesterday by Mrs. Sturgis, of New York, who would be a great acquisition to Washington society if she could only be persuaded to spend her winters here.

- The new and pleasant residence of Senator Thurman, which promises to become one of our social centers, was also the meeting place for a great many callers. Mrs. Thurman, who is herelf a courteous and agreeable hostess, has the advantage of an assistant in a very sweet and accomplished daughter, and the attractions of the house were heightened yesterday by one of the most recherche lunch tables to be seen

- The President's first levee took place last evening, and was almost as select and elegant as a private ball. There were none of the scenes of confusion that on former occasions were so disagreeable as to cause many to vow they would never try another. Perhaps it was owing to this resolution kept that it was so delightful to those who were present last night. There was no crowd anywhere, and fat men' misery, as the deep door-way between the red and blue rooms might be called, was not jammed at any time during the evening. Marshal Sharp stood beside the President, and farther down in the room stood Mrs. Grant, with Gen Babcock on one side and Mrs. Pullman and Mrs Sharp on the other. Mrs. Grant wore a becoming dress of white silk tissue, with rows of black lace and velvet. Mrs Pullman is a very handsome brunette, and dresses very richly. Sh wore an exquisite shade of green silk, with magnificent white point lace shawl, draped as an over-dress Her diamonds are resplendent Mrs. Sharp wore green silk, with point laccape, and looked remarkably well. The con tumes of Mrs. and Miss Banks attracted much attention, but it is difficult to convey an idea o their beauty by merely saying that Mrs. Bank were white silk, for that was only a foundation for the rows of white point lace, headed by bands of cherry-colored silk. A feather of the same color was in her hair, and diamonds added much to the richness and beauty of her toilet Miss Banks, who is a regal looking young lady wore a dress which combined the two new shade ot the palish blue, bordering on sea green, an pink of the color of the inside of a shell. Mrs. Bower wore black silk, with a quilling at the throat of black and white tulle. A bandeau o pearls encircled her dark hair, and she work pearls in her ears and a brooch of the same Miss Worthington wore blue silk and point lace. Miss Comegys looked elegant in a flounced train of white, and a canary colored silk festooned over it. Mrs. Babcock wore a lovely rose pink gauze de chambery. Miss Nelly Grant looked charming in a pink silk, with white muslin overdress, trimmed with Valenciennes lace. Mrs Ferris wore a beautiful gold colored silk, with black lace headed by a brown trimming. Miss Williams attracted much attention with flowing blonde hair and superb diamonds. Senator Anthony escorted the handsome Mrs. Brown of Rhode Island. She was elegantly dressed There were present also General and Mrs. Dent ludge and Mrs. Dent, General Porter, the Vice President and Mrs. Colfax, the Secretary War, Secretary, Mrs. and Miss Boutwell, the At-torney General and Mrs. Williams, Secretary and Mrs. Delano, General and Mrs. Chipman Sir Edward Thornton, and many other person

one of the ablest Russian diplomatists. He is a graduate of the military academy at St. Petersburg, and his writings on military affairs pro-cured him a place on the general staff of the Russian army, and some time after an ap-pointment in the War Department, where he remained during the Crimean war. He was then attached to the imperial household as adjutant of the Emperor, and for - Many of the guests at the President's reseveral years, directed the military studies of the two eldest sons of the Czar. In his thirty ception adjourned from that attractive place to the elegant residence of the British Minister, sixth year he joined the Russian legation at Constantinople, and remained thenceforth in where was presented a scene of indescribable beauty. The long mirrors in the suite of drawthe diplomatic service of Russia. The success with which he performed a number of difficult missions procured him rapid promotion. He ng-rooms reflected back the rich and elegant dresses of the ladies and the manly forms of the sterner sex, until it seemed an endless succession of brilliancy. Lady Thornton is a lady of was successively secretary of legation in Vienna diplomatic agent in Paris and Berlin, and graceful carriage, and looked elegant in a dres finally consul-general at Bucharest and political of a deep shade of pink silk with rows of black lace and velvet. Her overdress was of black velvet, bordered with white lace. There were present, Vice President and Mrs. Colfax, Miss agent of Russia in the Danubian Principalities where he performed difficult duties with such success that both his own government and the people of Roumania were greatly pleased with arrington and Miss Parsons, Senator and Mrs. Morton, the Postmaster General and Mrs. Cres well, Senator Anthony, Senator and Mrs. Cor-bett, Senator and Mrs. Schurz and Miss Schurz THE NEW YORK CUSTOM-HOUSE INVESTI GATION .- Mr. Cornell testified before the Re trenchment Committee yesterday in New Yorl that the practice of the steamship companie giving gratuities to custom-house officers, to induce a prompt discharge of their duties, has been discouraged and greatly diminished; the former inquiries by a Senate committee proba bly checked bribery; when he had proofs or reasonable suspicion against an officer, he recom mended his removal, and Collector Murphy al ways met his views; the largest number of re-movals is made for official causes, and the smaller number for political causes; appoint-ments are chiefly made on political recommend-ations; there is less dictation now than formerly from members of Congress and politicians; h never knew a man to be turned out for refusing tributions are always voluntary, and the officers felt a pride in paying to support the party. Surveyor Cornell testified that he had been in

the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. and Miss Boutwell, Senator and Mrs. Kelley and Miss Miller, the Attorney General and Williams, Senator Sherman, Senator and Mrs Stockton and Miss White, the Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Delano, Judge and Mrs. Clif ford, Senator and Mrs. Ames, Senator Freling huysen, the Misses Frelinghuysen and Mr. Fr inghuysen, Senator and Mrs. Hamlin, Mrs Senator Ramsey and daughter, Senator and Mrs Stevenson, Senator and Mrs. Rice, Senator and Stevenson, Senator and Mrs. Rice, Senator and Mrs. Thurman and daughter, Senator Johnson, Judge and Mrs. Miller, Judge and Mrs. Field, Judge Bradiey and daughters, Hon. Fernando Wood and Mrs. Wood, Miss Wood and Miss Young, Mr. and Mrs. Pullman, the Solicitor General and Mrs. Bristow, Mr. and Mrs. Hale, Mr. and Mrs. MeHenry, Mr. and Mrs. Chipman Judge and Mrs. Strong and daughters, M. and Mrs. Freeman Clarke and family, M. and Mrs. Freeman Clarke and family, Mr. and Mrs. Upson, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, General and Mrs. Banks and daughter, Mrs. Peters, Mr. Morgan and daughter. Marshal and Mrs. Sharp, Gen. Porter, Gen. and Mrs. Babcock, Mrs. Judge Dent, Admiral and Mrs. Goldsborough, Admiral and Mrs. Sands and family, Com. Rodgers, the Turkish, Argentine, Italian, Austrian, Belgian, Netherlands, Brazilian, German, Swedish and Equador ministers: the charge d'affairs of France and Japan. Brazilian, German, Swedish and Equador ministers; the charge d'affairsof France and Japan, the secretary and attaches of the Spanish, Austrian, French, Argentine, Italian, Swedish and Peruvian legations; Mr. Hitz, consul general for Switzerland; Major Ben. Perley Poore and daughters, the Right Honorable Russel Gurney and Mrs. Gurney, Mr. and Mrs. Bristed and daughter, Mr. Northcote, Mr. Cutts and daughter, Mr. Northcote, Mr. Cutts and daughters. ter, Gen. and Mrs. Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. Cox, of ter, Gen. and Mrs. Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. Cox, of Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. Philip, Prof. Henry and daughter, Mr. L. Q. Washington, Mrs. Causton, Mr. E. Gerard, Mr. Gobright, Col. and Mrs. Rathbone, Gen. Parke, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and daughter, Prof. Poisse, of Cambridge; Mr. Parkenham, Mr. and Mrs. Harriss-Gastrell, of the British legation; Mr. King and daughter; Mrs. Snead and daughter, Dr. and Miss Lee, Gen. Ramsay, Mrs. Gen. Delafield, &c., &c., &c.

Spalding, of Baltimore, upon the recommenda-tion of the Bishops who attended the funeral obsequies of the late Bishop McGill, has ap-pointed Right Reverend James Gibbons, Vicar Apostolic of North Carolina, as administrator of - The ball given by the Potomac Boat Club last evening w not soon be forgotten by the fortunate ones who were present at Masonic fortunate ones who were present at Masonic Temple. The excellent taste displayed in the invitations foretold that the details of the ball itself were in able and tasteful hands. The Georgetown boatmen are certainly original, and know full well the secret of a successful entertainment. Throughout the evening the arrangements were carried out by untiring committees, who, with the instinct of true gentiemen, became at once genial hosts; hence, it is unnecessary to add that all were happy and passed the evening in a most agreeable manner. It was an original and happy idea to have a band at either end of the hallfor, the funereal silence that usually succeeds the music and motion of a dance was thus banished by the invigorating music of the second band, empk yed to perform during the intervals. This was or e of the many pleasing features of the evening. The floor committees were dilithe Diocese of Virginia. This appointment is only temporary, but it is probable that the Holy See, at Rome, will make it permanent.—Rich-Findians from Mexico are again raiding in Texas, burning ranches, killing settlers, and running off stock. The California Assembly has passed a bill triking the words "white" and "male" from

ent in their duties, and so, also, were all who assumed the responsibility of hosts. Of course, all the young lady friends of the club were there, and of course they were loud in their praise of the versatile fellows, who dance as well as they "pull an oar." The tollets of the la-dies were very elaborate, and the dresses were nearly all worn en train. The hall was decorated in a significant manner. Oars were crossed between the windows; shell-boats hung at either end of the hall; while streamers, anchors and nautical devices were distributed tastefully through the room. Weber was there with his fine string band for the dances, and Fries, our new marine band leader, furnished the promenade music with able representatives from his band. The floor committee were on duty two hours each, thereby furnishing a relief for those in that unenviable position. We imagine from the interest manifested by the dancers that those were unlucky fellows whom the programme designated to act as managers from one o'clock to close of entertainment. If the Potomacs will only put as serviceable committees in their boats the next race as those they designated to manage the ball last night, their future record can know "no such word as fail."

The District Funding Bill.

The following are the provisions of the funding bill reported to the House this afternoon by the District of Columbia Committee and passed: That the Governor of the District of Columbia. W. W. Corcoran, Moses Kelly, H. M. Sweeny, and L. J. Davis, commissioners of the sinking fund of the District of Columbia, and their successors in office, are hereby authorized to fund the debt of the city of Washington, which habeen or may be found by the Legislative As-sembly to have existed on the first day of June, A. D. 1871, and is now unpaid; and for that purpose the said commissioners are hereby directed o issue registered or coupon bonds of the said District of Columbia, in denominations of fifty dollars, or any multiple of that sum, not to ex-ceed the amount of said debt, bearing interest not to exceed six per centum per annum; payable semi-annually in gold, and having a period to run not more than thirty years nor less than fifteen years; and the said commissioners are hereby authorized to negotiate the sale of the said bonds, at their discretion, at the rate of dis count not to exceed three per cent. upon the par value, and with the proceeds thereof to pay the said debt of the city of Washington; and the principal and interest of said bonds shall be made payable in the city of New York.

Sec. 2. That the Legislative Assembly of the District of Columbia are hereby empowered to cause to be levied upon, and collected from, all taxable property of the city of Washington within its corporate limits, a tax, annually. which shall be sufficient to pay the interest upon the said bonds, together with a sinking fund sufficient to retire the said bonds at maturity the said tax to be collected at the same time and in the same manner as general annual taxes are collected in the said District.

Sec. 3. That the collector of the District of Columbia shall pay over to the said commissioners, upon their requisition being first certified by the auditor and controller of said District, as is now provided by the laws of said District, all the moneys collected by virtue of this act; with which said moneys the said commissioners shall pay or cause to be paid, the coupons or interest on said bonds issued by them under the provisions of this act; and the residue collected as aforesaid as a sinking fund, the said commissioners shall invest in the said bonds issued by them, or in the bonds then or thereafter issued by the District of Columbia, and shall cause to be placed upon record in the office of the register of the said District of Columbia, a full and complete report of all their acts herein, on or betore the first day of January of each year.

Sec. 4. That the said bonds shall be issued in the name of the District of Columbia, and shall show that they are so issued in payment of the debt of the city of Washington, found by the Legislative Assembly to be due as provided in section 1 of this act, existing at the date aforenamed in section 1 of this act, and shall be signed by a majority of the commissioners aforesaid, and countersigned by the secretary and comptroller of the said District; and a proper registry shall be kept in the office of the register of the said District, of the number, denomination, date of issue, and to whom issued.

Driven to Death-A Mother Poisons Herself and Child

From the Davenport (Iowa) Gazette, Jan. 11 A gentleman from West Liberty informed u vesterday of a terrible tragedy which occurred on Sunday morning last near that town. Living three miles from the city, on the Springdal road, was a German farmer named Deltef Nol sien. He was living with his third wife, the mother of two children, while several children of the former wives were also members of the family. The latter and the step-mother kept the house in a constant turmoil, and it is said the woman was subjected to all sorts of abuse. and that her two little ones received nothing but cruel treatment from the hands of Noisien's older children. Why the husband permitted these deeds is not known. One day last week Mrs. Nolsien procured some strychnine at a store in West Liberty, and on Saturday told her husband that she had rather die than en dure such a life as she had led in his house On Sunday morning, during Nolsien's absence. a quarrel arose between the wife and the stepchildren again. She had a boy four or five years old. She gave the child a piece of bread and then took him to her bedroom, telling the other children that they would be sorry for their conduct. In a few minutes groans and cries camfrom Mrs. Nolsien's room, and one of the elder girls went to see what the matter was. She found the woman and her son both writhing in agony, and then, with the other children, fled to the neighbors for help. They were gone but a few minutes, but when they returned the boy was dead and the woman went into spasms. the child strychnine on the bread and then taken a dose herself. Her other child, a babe, was asleep in a crib. Thus she ended her trouble and that of her boy, but whether the step-children were "sorry" or not is a question. The affair created great excitement in the neighbor

hood, as may be supposed. BENEFITS OF VACCINATION .- Dr. Becker Laurie is practical physician of Altenberg, Germany. During seven months of the present year he has treated 164 cases of small-pox. Of his patients 112 had been vaccinated and 52 had not. The number of deaths in the former class was 2, or 18 10 per cent., while the number in the number in the latter case was 14, or 27 per per cent. Of 132 children vaccinated by the loctor during the seven months, but two took the disease, and these recovered. Of 218 persons revaccinated by him not one took the dis ease. The doctor thinks these tacts go some distance toward establishing the value of vac-

cination. Still more striking is the case of Salzungen in the neighboring duchy of Saxe-Meinegen. The authorities took extraordinary pains to vaccinate and revaccinate every inhabitant, old or young, and the result was that while the small pox raged with violence in all the surrounding towns and villages, Salzungen had escaped without a single case. Dr. Becker-Laurie further cites the experience of the army, where every recruit is subjected at the outstart to revaccination, and where, so far as the doctor is informed. there is yet to be the first case of small-pox .-

Springfield Republican. INSECURITY OF SUSPENSION BRIDGES .- AU examination of the cables of the suspension bridge which recently gave way at Pittsburg (says the Manufacturer and Builder), revealed a state of things which cannot fail to excite alarm state of things which cannot fail to excite alarm in regard to the safety of other bridges support ed by wires. The cables were originally composed of twenty strands of wires. In the one which broke only eleven wires remained at the point of fracture, the others having corroded away, and some of these had been reduced to the size of a knitting-needle. This bridge, which had stood fifteen years, was known to be unsafe, and was closed to public travel more than a month ago. But no one suspected that than a month ago. But no one suspected that the wires composing the cable were so eaten away by corrosion as the examination showed them to be; and the question naturally arises whether the same destroying process may not be in progress in other wire cables, as yet unsus-pected of weakness.

THE LATE Dr. Marshall Hall of England THE LATE Dr. Marshall Hall of England said: "If I were seriously ill of consumption, I would live out-doors day and night, except in rainy weather or mid-Winter; then I would sleep in an unplastered log house. Physic has no nutriment, gaspings for air cannot cure you; monkey capers in a symmasium cannot cure you, and stimulants cannot cure you. What consumptives want is air, and not physic—pure air, not medicated air—plenty of meat and bread."

Peach trees are in bloom in Florida. A barrel of buckwheat flour exploded in

Moral-Never trespass on another Mans-field.-Providence Herald. Powhatan's traditional head-quarters of the James were recently sold for \$100,000. A battalion of riflemen from Spain arrived

at Havana.

67 A California Chinawoman took strychnine to cure her hopeless love for a Melican man. A woman at Westfield contributed to the growth of the town, last week, by giving birth to two sons and two daughters.

FORTY-SECOND CONGRESS This Afternoon's Proceedings.

SENATE .- The Senate was not in sessio

Also, a communication from the Secretary of Military Affairs.

and after reciting the action of the Committee on Elections, and the report of the Kuklux Committee, he appealed to the House for an extension of the time in which to take testimony. Mr. Snyder (Ark.) supported the appeal of Mr Edwards, and offered a resolution that five days be allowed for the taking of the testimony, and to allow Mr. Edwards to produce the records o the legislature of Arkansas and the Suprema Court of that state. At the close of his remarks he demanded the previous question, but only ten members rose to second the demand. Mr. Hazleton (Wis.) then took the floor in op-

position to the resolution, and offered a substitute declaring Mr. Edwards not entitled to further time. He charged that Mr. Edwards had not, during the time allowed by law, taken one iota of testimony.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BUSINESS.

which, which, after two p. m., is, by the rules, devoted to consideration of business reported from that committee. Mr. Starkweather (Conn.), chairman of the committee, reported the bill originally intro-duced by Mr. Chipman, to fund the debt of the

number of unimportant amendments agreed upon in committee. After the bill had been read, Mr. Starkwea-

mittee had carefully considered it, and it meets all the views of the people of Washington.

Mr. Garfield (Ohio) asked if this enlarged the uthority of the city government to increase the

Mr. Chipman (D. C.) stated the amount of debt of the District, and the old indebtednes. Inder the organic act, they are required to pay this old indebtedness; but the regislature cannot do it without this funding principle through a sinking fund. He further stat-d; in answer to

ferred by the organic act. bill carefully, and it had been amended in a way to meet certain objections. The only objection he had to it was that Congress ought not to interfere. He believed that the local legislature under the organic act had ample power to do all that was proposed by this bill, but it was urged as an objection that there was a doubt upon this point, and that it might hurt the bonds f it was allowed to exist, and therefore it was deemed best to go to Congress, and thus put the value of the bonds beyond a doubt. opposed as a general thing to interference with the District, but this bill he believed was a

because the organic act had no power in the Mr. Merrick (Md.) offered the following amendment, to come in after the first section: Provided, That any of the holders of the debt of the city of Washington shall be at liberty to commute the said debt as held by him or any part thereof at par for a legal amount of bonds

or thereabouts visited the city on business, and in the course of his peregrinations purchased a package of Roman candles for the purpose of amusing his progeny on his return. His fireworks were carefully deposited in a rear pocket, and a short time thereafter he wended his way to the depot to take the evening train. Whill the face of a native who was in a half-comatose condition, caused by much extract of hops; and, without waiting to inquire into particulars, he made the door in two gigantic leaps All the occupants of the room immediately endeavored to follow his example, and, with a worthy determination not to be distanced, the proprietor of the candles forced himself into the midst of the throng endeavoring frantically to escape. In the meantime the candles fizzed and popped, giving strength to the evident impression that the party was being bombarded with some sort of an internal machine; and, strange as it may seem, the innocent cause of all the trouble was the worst frightened man in the lot. Not until fearful holes had been burned in the broadest portion of his nether garments, and the epidermis looked as though a strong mustard plaster had been pulled off violently, did he discover the cause of the panic. Order was finally restored, though the effects on that man's coathalf-soling. The victim was willing to testify that not one of the candles missed fire .- Indian-

A HEAVY BLAST-Four Hundred Thousand Cubic Feet of Granite Hurled into the Air .- The heaviest blast known to the experts in quarrying occurred on Saturday last at the Consho-hocken Stone Company, on the south side of the Schuylkill, below Swedesburg. The face of the cliff was one hundred and thirty-nine feet long, and back from its edge, at a distance of twentyseven feet, the rock was drilled its entire length. Small blasts were made until the rock was opened to a depth of ninety feet, and after a crial blast on Friday, which failed, on Saturday this mammoth cliff of nearly 400,000 cubic feet was hurled from its base, forty-seven kegs of powder being employed in the operation. The appearance of the cliff subsequent to the blast baffles description. Huge boulders, each in itself a cliff, lay piled in awful confusion, and giving a good idea of the terrific effects produced by an earthquake. As much stone has been thrown out by this blast as will keep the full force of the hands in employment until next august. seven feet, the rock was drilled its entire length

An Indiana youngster mischievously set the family plane on fire. By playing on it vigor-ously it was extinguished.

N. Y.) College over two attempts to assassinate a student named Benoit, from St. Louis, by an nknown person.

Maine is not at all complimentary to the pro-femed temperance men of that state, who are chagred with purchasing liquor for their own use 4 of illfit rum—hope," as a public record is made of all legal salce.

FRIDAY, January 19.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES .- The Speaker pro tem. (Mr. Dawes) laid before the House resolutions adopted by the National Board of Trade-which met in St. Louis in December last-urging the restoration of a specie standard by a contraction of the currency Referred to Committee on Banking and Cur

War enclosing the draft of a bill to establish military prisons. Referred to Committee on

Mr. Voorhees (Ind.) having declined to serve on the committee to investigate the Louisiana disorders, the Speaker appointed Mr. Archer (Md.) as a member of the committee in his

Mr. Edwards (Ark.) rose to A PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

After discussion by Messrs. Hoar, (Mass.,)
Shellabarger, (Ohio,) Eames, (R. I.) Farnsworth (Ill.) and Edwards, the substitute offered
by Mr. Hazleton was adopted—yeas 129, nays
46—and as amended the resolution was adopted.

The hour of two o'clock having arrived, the Committee on the District of Columbia was called, this being the third Friday in the month,

city of Washington existing June 1, 1871, with a ther explained its provisions. He said the com-

Mr. Starkweather said it did not.

the question of Mr. Garfield, that the bill did arge any powers of the legislature con-Mr. Eldridge (Wis.) said he had examined the

necessity. The bill, too, only affected the old floating debt of the city, which was contracted before the present organic act of the territory.

Mr. Poland (Vt.) also expained the provisions of the bill, and stated that it was brought here

proposed to be issued under this act.

The amendment was adopted and the bill Mr. Starkweather also, from the same committee, reported a bill providing for a survey of the rivers in the District of Columbia. It names the chief engineer of the army, the Governor of the District, Mr. A. R. Shepherd and Mr. C. B. Patterson a board to make a survey of the Potomac and Anacostia rivers; the com mission to serve without pay, and to make re-

pert to Congress. The bill was passed. Fun in Indianapolis.

A day or two since, a ruralist from Anderson toitering in the waiting-room admiring the stacks of ginger-bread, hard-bolled eggs and doughnuts temptingly displayed on the lunch-counter, he carelessly whisked his left coat-tail against the red-hot stove, and trouble immediately ensued. The first rocket narrowly missed tails were disastrous; and we are also informed that his unmentionables required immediate

apolis Journal.

STRAMED BROWN BREAD.—One cup of Indian meal, two cups of rye, one cup of molasses, iwo cups of milk, half teaspoonful of soda, the same of salt. Stir well together and steam three hours, taking care that the water does not stop boiling. Add boiling water as the water boils away. If you wish it hot for breakfast, steam the day before, and in the morning set it in the oven for half an hour to form a good crust.

"man is a grand creature, even if he is a little stingy about the franchise."

some Mr. Beecher does not think happiness sencentrated in an income of \$20,000 a year. Let him try it on \$500 and see hew he can enjoy

Among the modern improvements we have introduced into Japan is kerosene. Its advance in civilization was satisfactorily proved by a big fire at Yokohama, which burned up 400 houses and 80 women.

ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORTS.

This Afternoon's Dispatches.

TELEGRAMS TO THE STAR.

FROM EUROPE TO-DAY.

Telegraphed Exclusively to The Evening Star. Prussian Order of the Black Engle. BERLIN, Jan. 18 .- The annual banquet of the Prussian Order of the Black Engle was given to-day, upon the anniversary of the establishment of the Order by Frederick 1st, in 1701. The attendance was very large, including many members of the royal family, and the most prominent of the noblemen of the Kingdom and Empire. The Emperor William was the chief speaker, and in his remarks alluded to the fact that the occasion was that of a double anniver-

sary, viz: of the coronation of the first Prussian King and of the crown assumption of the Imperial Crown of Germany. Among the interest-ing incidents of the banquet was a toast given by the Bavarian Minister to "Emperor William, Shocking Scenes at the Explosion of

Lender, Jar. 19, a. m.—A terrible explosion of a cartridge Factory.

Lender, Jar. 19, a. m.—A terrible explosion occurred in a cartridge factory in Greenwich yesterday p. m. The clothing of a large number of girls employed in the factory took fire, and they rushed shricking through the town into

the surrounding marshes in hopes of quenching the flames. The factory was totally destroyed Illness of the Pope. New York, Jan. 19.-A Rome special says the Pope was taken suddenly ill Wednesday

and suspended his reception. He is confined to his bed with a cold. It is thought his illness is not dangerous. Sir Samuel Baker. NEW YORK, Jan. 13 .- Another special reports Sir Samuel Baker, the explorer, well and

near Kartoum. Gloomy View of Political Prospects in England. Lennon, Jan. 19 .- Horsman, M. P., in an ad-

dress to his constituents at Likeard, ast night, took a gloomy view of political prospects, and declared the present government until to deal with English questions. Movements of Americans in Europe.

Paris, Jan. 19.—The American Resider says Minister Curtin has left St. Petersburg for Nice to meet General Sherman and Minister Washburne. J. Bancroft Davis and other Americans connected with the Geneva board of arbitration have offices in Rue de la Paix, and will remain until the next meeting of the tribunal. The American Charitable Society of Paris is to be reorganized. Thiers Again Threatens to Resign.

Paris, Jan. 19.—It is removed that Thiers threatens to resign if the assembly rejects the new tariff on raw materials. The report of the cesssion of the tobacco monopoly to private parties to secure immediate payment of the war indemnity is contradicted

The Wharton Trial. CONTINUATION OF ARGUMENTS FOR THE

DEFENSE. ANNAPOLIS, Mp., Jan. 19 .- The court met at 10 o'clock. Every part of the floor was packed with spectators, and even the window sills were filled by ladies. Many scats were occupied an hour in advance of the opening or the court. The audience is about equally divided in sex. Outside of the court room speculation and dicussion of the probable verdict of the jury is almost the sole subject of discussion. as well as on all the trains and in the city of Baitimore. Mr. Thomas resumed his argument for the

defense, dwelling upon the legal presumption of the prisoner's innocence, reciting Greenleaf on this point, and also the amount and character of proof necessary before conviction. No adequate motive for the commission of murder by the prisoner, as charged, had been shown by the testimony of the state, and even upon the sup-position that Mrs. Wharton owed General Ketchum \$2,600, she had no obstacle to prevent her going to Europe and leaving the debt unpaid. But there was no evidence to show that Mrs. Wharton owed General Ketchum. The Court had instructed the jury that the declarations of Charles Ketchum to Mrs. Wharton, in regard to statements of his father, were not evidence, except so far as she assented to them. The speaker next contended that there was no

indebtedness to General Ketchum, and the testimony of Mrs. Cottman, which came providen tially, almost as if from Heaven, fixed to an absolute certainty the date of Mrs. Wharton's visit to Washington, and that was the very day Mrs. Wharton told Charles Ketchem and General Brice she paid the money to Gen. Ketchum After rehearing and further commenting on Mrs. Cottman's testimony, Mr. Thomas proceeded to consider the evidence in reference to the claim by the accused for four thousand dollars in bonds against the estate of Gen. Ketchum, and argued that there was no improbability she should have entrusted her bonds to him without taking a receipt, as their previous rela-tions justified such confidence on her part. He reviewed the testimony of General Brice and Charles Ketchum, arguing that it did not prove the debt had not been paid and the bonds en-trusted to General Ketchum as claimed by the

defence. The counsel then a luded to the extraordinary and unusual proceedings resorted to in the proecution of the case, from its inception until after the commencement of the trial. The post mortem examination had been made without a coroner' inquest, and without the sanction of authority It was the duty of Dr. Williams to have commu nicated his suspicions to the authorities when the coroner's inquest had been held, and the physician designated to make the post mortem, and also the chemist to assist Aiken; that there was no such investigation by official authority; what investigation there was was unofficial, initiated by Dr. Williams, and aftewards prosecuted by him and three professors of the Univer-sity of Maryland. They made the ex-amination prepossessed of the theory to be carried out, and afterwards enlisted their entire faculty in support of this theory, and when the state had gone to the trial and broken down on its proofs, these same parties went to Washington, disinterred the body of Ketchum, employed their own chemists, and had a second investigation. Why were not the defence invited to co-operate and assist in this second examination? They had then present in court as experts the best analytical chemists in the country, and why not give them an opportunity to co-operate with Professor Tonry? The Attorney General, when he applied to the court for permission for Tonry to pursue his analysis. after giving in his first testimony, and if neces-sery adjourn the court for that purpose, knew there were experts here, and why had they not been asked to assist said Tonry? The precedent was dangerous, and if ties, without a coroner or official authority,

vestigation and analysis demonstrate? Did it prove that Ketchum died of poison, and if it did that Mrs. Wharton did it? The speaker then reviewed for some time the evidence of Aiken and Tonry, arguing that their analyses were unreliable; their tests falliable and inconclusive; and the result a failure to

were permitted to make private examinations

and prosecutions, if this were allowed and sauc-

tioned there was no security for the life or lib-

erty of any individual. And what did their in

establish poison. Mr. Thomas next argued that it was not ne cessary the defence should show the disease of which Ketchum died, but only to rebut the evidence of the prosecution that Ketchum died by poison from tartar-emetic, and this, he argued, they had done. Mr. Thomas concluded his

argument at 1:30. The New York Custom House Investi-

New York, Jan. 19.—The Retrenchment Committee met at the hotel this morning. They diourn to Washington to-morrow night. A letter was received from Col. Howe, treasury agent, asking to be heard before the committee to controvert the false statements made relative to him and his officers by the junior partner of Naylor & Co.
A broker testified relative to the appraisment

of damaged goods.

In the Congressional committee a letter was read from Frank E. Howe, statnig that Naylor & Co., through their junior partner, Colonel Hoyt, had grossly assailed his official character, and asking the privilege of making a brief

After reading certain letters in the case of weigher, James W. Thompson, Col. Frank Howe was called and submitted documents showing the amount of fines, penalties and forfeitures paid to the government from May, 1869, to November, 1871, on information furnished by the special agent's office under his direction, to be \$187,173. The amount distributed to the same office in the same time, in moieties, was \$22,506.

ARRAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 19.—The legislature in joint convention to-day elected Hon. George R. Dennis United States Senator, vice George Vickers, whose term expires March, 1873. Mr. Dennis received the entire democratic vote. The republican vote was cast for Dr. Lewis H. Steiner, state senator from Frederick county.

The Grand Juke Thinks the Story of Mis Marriage a Good Joke.

New York, Jan. 19.—A Denver dispatch states that Alexis and General Sheridan visited the Legislature yesterday, and a grand ball was given in their honor last night. They visit Golden city to-day. The story that the Grand Duke is married is considered a good joke by him, as it is untrue.

Fox Declines being a Farragut Arbi-Lowert, Mass., Jan. 19.—Captain Fox, ex-Assistant Secretary of the Navy, declines the appointment as one of the three arbitrators on the claims of Farragut's heirs for prize money, on account of private duties.

Counterfelt of \$50 Legal Tender Botes.

Br. Louis, Jan. 18.—A very dangerous counterfeit \$50 legal-tender note was detected here

creasing in Brooklyn.

New York, Jan. 19.—The small-pox is de-